

Approved for use through 07/31/2008, OMB 0851-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Complete if Known				
Application Number	. 10/791,386			
Filing Date	March 3, 2004			
First Named Inventor	Minoru Sakai			
Art Unit	1752	•		
Examiner Name	Chea, Thorl			
Attorney Docket Number	FS-F03230-01			

				DOCUMENTS	
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number Number-Kind Code ² (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		^{US-} 4,223,082	09-16-1980	Rosenfeld	
		^{US-} 6,165,705	12-26-2000	Dankosh et al.	
		^{US-} 6,146,822	11-14-2000	Asanuma, et al.	
		^{US-} 7,060,423	06-13-2006	Yamane, et al.	
		^{US-} 6,770,430	08-03-2004	Kubo	
	•	US- 2003-0207216	11-06-2003	Fukui, et al.	
		US- 2003-0215756	01-20-2003	Morita et al.	
		US- 2004-0005521	01-08-2004	Kudo	
		US- 2003-0232288 .	12-18-2003	Oka, et al.	
		^{US-} 6,696,237	02-24-2004	Yoshioka et al.	
		US- 4,562,143	12-31-1985	Hirabayashi et al.	
		US- 5,288,603	02-22-1994	Maskasky et al.	J
		^{US-} 6,309,814	10-30-2001	lto	
		^{US-} 6,472,138	10-29-2002	Yamane	· -
		^{US-} 6,300,044	10-09-2001	Uytterhoeven et al.	
		US- 6,607,872	08-19-2003	Uytterhoeven et al.	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Foreign Patent Document Country Code Number Kind Code (if known)	Publication Date Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages. Columns. Lines. Where Relevant Passages	٦٥
			MM-DD-YYYY		Or Relevant Figures Appear	Ь—
		JP 08-297345	11-12-1996	. Arai		AB
		JP 02-096131	04-06-1990	Ogawa, et al.		AB
		JP 2000-305213	11-02-2000	.Totani		AB
		JP 2000-206653	07-28-2000	Konica Corp	-	AB
					·	
				:		1

Examiner			 Date	$\overline{}$
Signature	• •	•	Considered	

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 509. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov.or MPEP 901.04. There Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. Wind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible.

*Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gethering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case, Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450, DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS, SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.